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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I have been getting my internet service and phone service from a small local ISP who rents copper lines from AT&T (installed decades ago, when the Bell System had a monopoly on wiring to homes). My understanding is that AT&T wants to raise the rental rates for these old wires to astronomically high prices, in order to establish a new monopoly, by driving all local ISPs out of business.

Please don't let AT&T establish a new monopoly!

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